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WASHINGTON, Oct. 29, 1987 -- Orders for 12,714 new and rebuilt freight cars were placed during the first nine months of this year, compared with 9,516 during the same period of 1986, the Association of American Railroads (AAR) and the American Railway Car Institute reported today.

Orders placed during the third quarter of the year totaled 4,074, compared with 2,974 in the third quarter of 1986.

A total of 9,856 cars were placed in service during the first nine months of 1987, compared with 7,611 a year earlier.

In the third quarter of this year, deliveries totaled 3,971, compared with 3,567 in the third quarter of 1986.

As of October 1, a total of 5,535 cars were on order but undelivered, compared with 3,664 at the same time last year.

Meanwhile, the AAR reported that 98 new and rebuilt locomotives were placed in service during the first nine months of this year, compared with 336 a year ago.

In the third quarter, 37 locomotives were delivered, compared with 137 in the third quarter of 1986.

As of October 1, eight locomotives were on order but undelivered, compared with 35 at the same time a year ago.

Taking retirements into account, the fleet of owned and leased diesel-electric locomotives on October 1 was 20,012, compared with 21,620 on October 1, 1986.

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FREIGHT CARS AND LOCOMOTIVES ORDERED AND DELIVERED

AND BACKLOG OF ORDERS

ALL RAILROADS AND PRIVATE CAR LINES

DELIVERED

	3rd Quarter		9 Months	
	1987	1986	1987	1986
Built New by Car Builders	3,848	3,567	9,733	7,561
Built New in R.R. Shops	0	0	0	0
Built New - Total	3,848	3,567	9,733	7,561
Rebuilt	123	0	123	50
Total Delivered	3,971	3,567	9,856	7,611
Locomotives	37	137	98	336

ORDERED

Built New by Car Builders	3,951	2,974	12,591	9,441
Built New in R.R. Shops	0	0	0	0
Built New - Total	3,951	2,974	12,591	9,441
Rebuilt	123	0	123	75
Total Ordered	4,074	2,974	12,714	9,516

ON ORDER AND UNDELIVERED

	October 1	
	1987	1986
Built New by Car Builders	5,535	3,664
Built New in R.R. Shops	0	0
Built New - Total	5,535	3,664
Rebuilt	0	0
Total on Order	5,535	3,664
Locomotives	8	35

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